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Dear Sir:

Prior to the initial review of the above-identified patent application by the Examiner, please enter the following Preliminary Amendment.

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

## **IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

On Page 1, please insert inserting the following the title and before the Field of Invention:

### -- CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/348,097, filed July 6, 1999, entitled "METHOD OF VITAMIN PRODUCTION," which is incorporated herein by this reference. --

### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1-23, 25-26, 28-29, 31, 33-47, 49-50, 52-53, 55-73 and 84-92 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter thereof.

## **REMARKS**

This is a divisional application of pending prior application Serial No. 09/348,097, filed July 6, 1999.

Attached hereto is a marked up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version With Markings to Show Changes Made."

Respectfully submitted,

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# **VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE**

# In the Specification:

The following section has been added.

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